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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Specification:

Paragraph beginning at line 1 of page 12 has been amended as follows:

The preparation of antibodies exhibiting three specificities, so-called trispecific antibodies, which are also suitable to solve the problem underlying the present invention may be for example carried out by coupling to one of the IgG heavy chains of a bispecific antibody a third antigen binding site having an additional specificity, e.g. in the form of "single chain variable fragments" (scFv). The scFv may be coupled for example using a

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to one of the heavy chains (S = serine, G = glycine, D = aspartate, I = isoleucine).